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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): KUROTANI, et al  
Serial No.: 10/812,870  
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For: A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND A METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Group:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 22, 2004

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully  
submitted in connection with the above-identified application, as listed below and as  
set forth on the following pages:

Substitute Specification and Marked Up Version of Original Specification;  
Amendment of the Abstract;  
Amendment of the Claims; and  
Remarks are included following the amendments.